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CAPACITANCE MEASUREMENTS FOR AN

INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Drawings:

Please delete Figure 7 from the application.

## In the Specification:

The following shows deletions to paragraphs and replacement paragraphs. A marked up version of the paragraphs being changed is attached to this amendment.

Please delete the paragraph on page 2, starting at line 15, and replace with the following clean paragraph:

Figure 1 represents the circuit 10 used in the IEEE paper to measure cross coupling capacitance. A general method to measure capacitance consists of measuring the total charge deposited on the capacitor, which can be accomplished by measuring DC currents, frequency of applied signals, and voltage. The following formula permits the determination of capacitance:

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